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1. IN ABSENCE REPLY TO REF (A) EMBASSY UNAWARE STATUS DEPARTMENT'S ACTION ON QUESTION OF LEADER GRANT FOR YAR DEP PRIMIN/FONMIN NU'MAN. THIS MORNING, HOWEVER, I RECEIVED CALL FROM ACTING FONMIN ASNAG REPORTING ON TELEPHONE DISCUSSION WITH NU'MAN IN NEW YORK. NU'MAN WAS QUITE UPSET, SAYING HE HAD NOT BEEN OFFERED A US GOVERNMENT GRANT BUT SOMETHING FROM A YEMENI-AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY. NU'MAN FELT THIS INCONSISTENT WITH BOTH HIS GOVERNMENT POSITION AND SPIRIT OF INVITATION WHICH HAD BEEN EXTENDED TO HIM BY FORMER SECRETARY ROGERS.

2. WITH ASNAG, I SAID EMBASSY NOT INFORMED OF WHAT HAD HAPPENED SINCE WE ADVISED BY HIM OF NU'MAN'S FIRM PLANS TO VISIT NEW YORK AND OUR SUBSEQUENT, SHORT NOTICE RECOMMENDATION FOR LEADER GRANT. IT SEEMED POSSIBLE THAT GIVEN SUCH SHORT NOTICE AND PROBLEM OF ENSURING EQUITABLE TREATMENT TO ALL FOREIGN MINISTERS NOW PRESENT IN NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT MIGHT HAVE BEEN UNABLE ARRANGE LEADER GRANT ESPECIALLY FOR NU'MAN AND HAVE TURNED TO YEMENI-AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY AS ONLY ALTERNATIVE IN A DIFFICULT SITUATION. HOWEVER, I SAID
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I WOULD INQUIRE SOONEST.

3. ADVISE.
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